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13th September 1945.

To the Chairman and Members of the  
URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LEYLAND.

Mr. Chairman,

## ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1944.

I have the honour to present to your Council a short report on the Health and Sanitary Conditions of the District during the year ended December 31st 1944.

### Statistics and Social Conditions.

The Registrar General's estimated population for the year was 13,720 and the calculation of the birth rate and death rate are based on this figure.

There was no change in the occupations of the inhabitants of the district during the year.

### Vital Statistics.

During the year, two hundred and eighty six births were registered as belonging to the district. The number and sex are shown below:-

<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
149.	137.	286.

The birth rate for the year was 20.8 per thousand. This figure is 1.7 higher than last year and is the highest for some years.

There were eight deaths in children under one year of age. This figure gives an infantile mortality rate of 28 per thousand births. This rate is 14 lower than the rate of the previous year (42).

The number and sex of the above deaths are shown in the table below:-

<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
3.	5.	8.

The number of deaths registered as belonging to the district was 158. Seventy seven were Males and eighty one Females. This figure gives a death rate of 11.5 per thousand for the year, which is the same as for the previous year.

The causes of death are shown overleaf.

	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>
Tuberculosis Respiratory.	3.	2.
Tuberculosis other forms.	1.	-
Influenza.	-	1.
Acute Infantile Encephalitis.	1.	-
Cancer of Buccal Cavity - Oesophagus.	1.	2.
Uterus. F.		
Cancer of Stomach & Duodenum.	5.	2.
Cancer of Breast.	-	2.
Cancer of all other sites.	3.	13.
Diabetes.	-	1.
Intra cranial vascular lesions.	9.	6.
Heart Diseases.	29.	19.
Other Diseases of circulatory system.	2.	3.
Bronchitis.	2.	4.
Pneumonia.	-	2.
Other Respiratory Diseases.	-	1.
Other Digestive Diseases.	3.	-
Nephritis.	3.	3.
Puerperal & post abortion sepsis.	-	1.
Premature Birth.	-	3.
Congenital malformation & Birth Injury.	3.	1.
Road Traffic Accidents.	1.	1.
Other Violent Causes.	2.	3.
All other Diseases.	9.	11.
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Totals...	<u>77.</u>	<u>81.</u>

#### Health Services.

There are three midwives who practise in the district under the supervision of the County Council. A fair proportion of the maternity cases enter hospital. The ordinary nursing of the sick at home is carried out by two fully trained nurses employed by the District Nursing Association.

#### Closet Accommodation.

The table below shows the types of conveniences at the end of the year:-

Privy Middens.	208.
Pail Closets.	151.
Fresh water Closets.	3,700.
Waste water Closets.	11.
Portable Receptacles.	4,199.

#### Sanitary Inspection.

During the year, 70 Informal Notices and two Statutory Notices were served. The Sanitary defects found were as follows:-

Choked yard drains.	13.
Dilapidated pails to pail closets.	2.
Defective slopstone waste-pipe.	1.
No ash-pit accommodation.	8.
Dirty & Verminous Houses.	6.
Defective W.C. cistern.	2.
Defective slating on roof.	4.
Defective brickwork.	1.
Defective Hot water circulation.	1.



Sanitary Defects contd.

Defective Eaves gutters.	1.
Defective yard drains.	3.
Dilapidated ash-bins.	16.
Broken W.C. Basin.	4.
Broken W.C. Seat.	1.
Keeping of Fowls as to be a nuisance.	2.
Broken wash-basin.	1.
Broken down-spouts.	3.
Defective washing copper.	1.
Defective fireplace.	1.
Defective damp-proof course.	2.
Defective chimney stack.	1.
Defective plaster on walls.	1.
No landrail provided to stairway.	1.
Leaking W.C. roof.	1.

Salvage.

The following table shows the amounts of salvage from Household refuse during the year:-

	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	£.	S.	D.
Paper.	182.	17.	1.	1,155.	15.	4.
Iron.	7.	10.	2.	9.	8.	0.
Tins.	50.	12.	1.	50.	12.	3.
Kitchen Waste.	342.	15.	2.	514.	2.	4.
Bones.	5.	4.	2.	25.	0.	8.
Glass.	2.	9.	0.	3.	1.	5.
Bags.	4.	2.	1.	79.	10.	6.
Carpets & Sacking.	4.	3.	0.	15.	0.	3.
String.	-	8.	1.	2.	9.	6.
Total...	600.	2.	2.	£1,855.	0.	10.

Unsound Food Condemned in 1944.

Beef.	22 lbs.
Tinned Meat.	33 tins.
Boiled Ham.	12 lbs.
Sausage.	75 lbs.
Fish.	140 lbs.
Fish.	65 tins.
Jam.	6 lbs.
Fruit.	25 lbs.
Eggs.	1,100
Cheese.	104 lbs.
Tinned Milk.	20 tins.
Carrots.	6 tins.
Soups.	4 tins.
Peas & Beans.	16 tins.
Malt & Oil.	16 tins.

# Rodent Control.

The following premises were treated during 1944 for the presence of rats, reported by the occupiers:-

48, Westgate.	Estimated rats killed.	5.
Garden House, Slater Ln.	" " "	25.
43, Westgate.	" " "	5.
50, Westgate.	" " "	5.
42, Northgate.	" " "	2.
35, Clifton Avenue.	" " "	3.
120, Fox Lane.	" " "	3.
6, Lostock Vale.	" " "	5.
7, Lostock Vale.	" " "	5.

# Cowsheds and Dairies.

No structural alterations were carried out at any cowsheds during the year.

Two farms are registered for the bottling of accredited milk and three distributors are registered for the supply of milk in the district. One firm is registered for the supply of pasteurised milk.

# Infectious Diseases.

	<u>Notifications.</u>	<u>Number sent to Hospital.</u>
Scarlet Fever.	48.	45.
Diphtheria.	10.	10.
Measles.	91.	-
Whooping Cough.	1.	-
Pneumonia.	8.	-
Pemphigus Neonatorum.	1.	1.
	<u>159.</u>	<u>56.</u>

# Diphtheria Immunisation.

No. Immunised during 1944:-

Pre School Children	129.
School Children	15.
	<u>144.</u>

# Tuberculosis.

The table below shows the number of cases of all forms of Tuberculosis in the Register at the commencement and end of the year:-

1944.	<u>PULMONARY.</u>			<u>NON.PULMONARY.</u>			<u>PULMONARY &amp; NON.PULMONARY.</u>		
	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>Total.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>Total.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Jan. 1st.	26.	12.	38.	15.	7.	22.	41.	19.	60.
Dec. 31st.	35.	15.	50.	16.	9.	25.	51.	24.	75.

During the year, mass radiography was carried out at one large factory in the district, and several cases of pulmonary Tuberculosis were notified following this investigation. This accounts for the increase in the number of pulmonary cases in the Register.

I am,  
Sir, Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Your obedient Servant,

C. M. WILLMOTT.

Medical Officer of Health.

